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CDMA - WLL OPERATION
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Department of Telecommunications has objected to TRAI`s recommendation in favour of CDMA-WLL operation without licence to realization at the available rate of per Mhz at the initial stage; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the response of the Government in this regard ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) & (b): No, Sir. The Department of Telecommunications, while referring back some of the recommendations for grant of Basic Telephone Service licences including issue of Wireless in Local Loop (WLL) access technology, had only asked TRAI to consider suggestions for making suitable recommendations in respect of additional entry fee for allocation of WLL frequency. Telecom Regulatory Authority of India did not recommend any additional entry fee for this purpose, which was accepted by the Government.